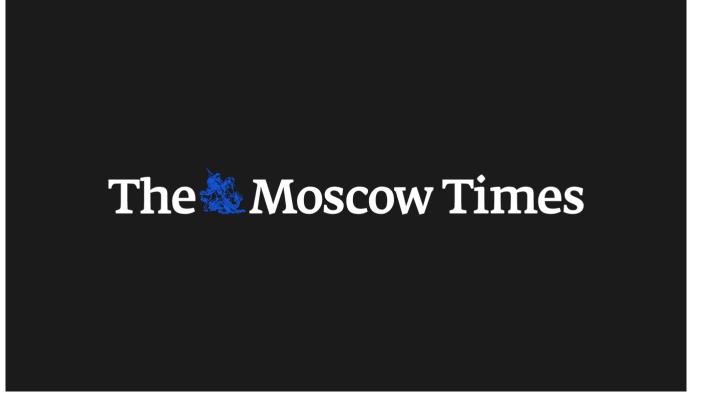


Man Tries to Set Nightclub Ablaze After Face Control Denies Him Entry

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A drunken reveler tried to set fire to a nightclub in the Chuvashia republic over the weekend after being refused entry by security guards, police said Monday.

"The man didn't pass face control, security didn't even let the drunken man into the building," Chuvashia police said in a statement on their official website, without naming the suspect. "So he decided to have fun in another way."

The Novocheboksarsk resident ran into the foyer of the nightclub and sprayed a five-liter canister of petrol over the floor of the premises while holding out a cigarette lighter, the statement said.

The 27-year-old man was then knocked from his feet before being detained by police. At the time, there were almost 600 people in the nightclub, police said, adding that the man admitted his guilt.

The reveler, who said he "simply wanted to scare the security guards and those visiting the nightclub," faces up to five years in prison on charges of attempting to deliberately damage property.

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